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FILTER-PRESS ELECTROLYZER

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Filter-press electrolysers for decomposing water find wide application in plants that work with both atmospheric pressures and also high pressures.

Industry makes great demands upon this kind of plant, since whole series of machine-constructional and repair and reconditioning factories require hydrogen and exygen, especially in compressed form under 10 to 20 atmospheres of pressure.

The authors of the present invention propose that, in order to seal hermatically the elements of the electrolyser, these to tightened by the application of a system of independent tie-reds which consists of terminals plates and belts insulated from the remaining metallic parts.

The enclosed diagram represents a longitudinal cross-section of a filterpress electrolymer having the usual constructional design, but employing the independent tie-rods of the proposed design.

It is during the assembly of the electrolyzer that the independent system of tie-rods is built for each element of the electrolyzer; that is, the frame of the electrolyzer, the feed channel, and each of the gas channels have a system of tie-rods that is independent of one another and consisting of terminal plates 1, 2, 3 and bolts h, 5 which are insulated from the plates by means of insulated washers 6 and 7.

Such a tightening system assures a complete hermetic seal of the apparatus in all of its parts without being dependent upon differences in shrinkage in the various gasket linings and packings, when one employs a system of joining the electrolyser frame with the sections of the feed channel 11 and gas channels 1h with the aid of long iron pipes welded on.

The filter-press electrolyzer for the electrolysis of water under pressure is different in that the elements making up the electrolyzer (that is, the frame of the electrolyzer, the feed channel 14, and the gas channels) are shrunk for the purpose of hermetical sealing by an independent system of tie-rods, which consists of terminal plates 1, 2, 3 and of bolts 4, 5

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